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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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To The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## PETITION FOR AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.312

Entry of the following amendment under Rule 1.312 is respectfully requested.

At page 19, line 11, please delete "a".

At page 19, line 12 please delete "hot mill roll" and "operation. The rolls were".

At page 19, line 13, please delete "chromeiron and the grinding was done" and substitute ---chrome iron---.

Thus, the passage as amended should read:
---obtained in commercial grinding of high chrome iron at
essentially constant full power---.

This amendment does not in any way result in a broadening of the claims which are not directed to grinding operations but to the composition of an abrasive article.

The amendment is needed to avoid publishing valuable trade secret material that was inadvertently and unnecessarily included in the text.

This inclusion was discovered during an intensive study of our patent applications in this area following from a suit by this Company against a third party for theft of trade secrets.

In the suit (which did not involve the trade secret here involved) we were faced with a defense that certain portions of our trade secrets had been incorporated in patent applications.

The nature of this defence only became known just before the trial which took place in December 1991 and the discovery sought to be corrected here was made about that time. Since the discovery only recently occurred, the submission of this request could not have been made earlier.

In the circumstances it is believed appropriate to permit entry of the above amendment.

Payment of the issue fee has not yet been made such that no fee under Sect. 1.17(i) is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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